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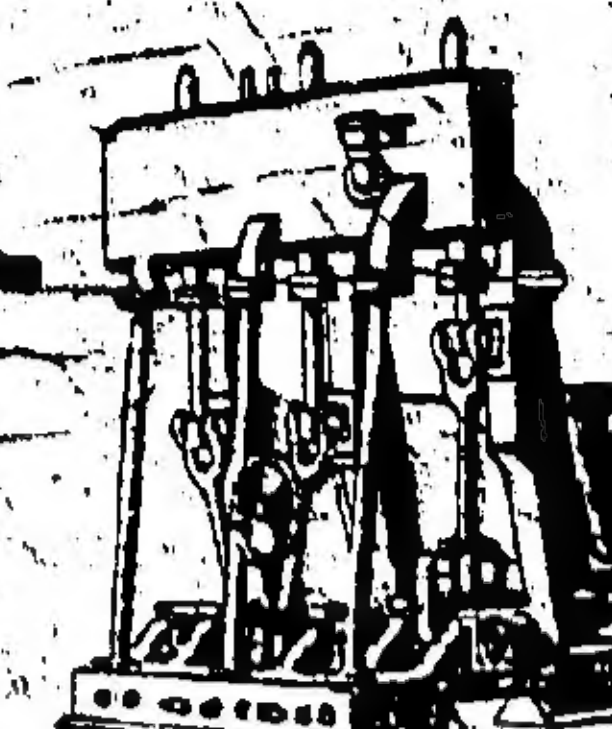
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THE GREAT BATTLE.

TRIUMPHAL PROGRESS BY BRITISH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH ENTER BAPAUME.

LONDON, Aug. 25,
9.10 p.m.

British cavalry and reconnoitring
patrols entered Bapaume this morning.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST REPORT.

ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACKS INCREASE.

BUT BRITISH MAKE FURTHER PROGRESS.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig
reports:—

Hostile opposition increased to-day
with the arrival of German reinforcements.
Many counter-attacks at
different points were broken down
with loss under our fire. Our troops,
nevertheless, fought their way for-
ward with great gallantry and, over-
coming the resistance, made further
progress, taking many prisoners.

On the northern bank of the
Somme, the Australians, by a suc-
cessful attack early this morning
carried the enemy's position on the
high ground to the east of Bray,
while on their left the London and
East Country Divisions continued to
advance in the direction of Carnoy
and have taken Mametz. The
Welsh captured Mametz Wood. In
the centre of our attack we crossed
the Albert-Bapaume road along its
whole length southward of Bapaume
and captured Martinpuich, Le Sars
and Le Barque.

GERMAN REPORTS.

LONDON, Aug. 26,
1.15 a.m.

A wireless German official report
states:—
Strong English forces, led by
Tanks and advancing between Neu-
ville and St. Leger, collapsed.

Our posts at St. Leger withdrew
to the east of the village.

Strong attacks initiated by numer-
ous Tanks against Bapaume, col-
lapsed.

We threw the enemy back beyond
Pozières.

The enemy six times stormed
against the middle of the front
east of Albert to the Somme. We
threw him back to La Boisselle and
other the Albert-Bapaume road. Our pro-
jecting lines were here withdrawn
during the night.

Our night-fires on Saturday drop-
ped 75 tons of bombs on camps and
railway stations.

A German evening official report
states:—
Heavy attacks on both sides of
Bapaume failed.

UNRODDING FRENCH TRIBUTES TO BRITISH VICTORY.

PARIS, Aug. 26.

The brilliant British successes are
the subject of warm tributes in the
French Press.

L'Heure says the High Command
buses great hopes on the British
Army. The latest news from the
front shows that these hopes will not
be disappointed.

Le Journal, declaring that it was
again the British who had the hon-
our of the day, says: "They
obliged the German staff to admit
defeat."

M. Margel Hulin in the Echo de
Paris emphasises that the British
advanced by local thrusts which
made considerable breaches in the
German lines. That the enemy were
unable to throw these audacious
manoeuvres proves the tremendous

superiority which the Allies have
gained over the Germans. On
Saturday when the splendid tenacity
and will to conquer of all the people
of Great Britain and her Dominions
was again shown it does credit to
our Allies who are wrestling enemy
planes and positions on the Somme,
the names of which recall so much
sacrifice of blood.

Lieut.-Col. Fabry, writing in the
Ouvrier, pays tribute to the feat of
raising and organising the British
Army, and to the conception and
execution of the British attacks of
the last three days. He says: "We
must praise unreservedly in addition
the British High Command and the
Staffs of their valiant Divisions who
overcame an enemy determined to
defend the ground step by step. It
is a purely British victory."

FOCH'S TREMENDOUS ACTIVITY. THE REAL OFFENSIVE PROB- ABLY STILL TO COME.

LONDON, Aug. 26.

"Wonderful" is the adjective
applied to the successes during this
week-end which have evoked the
enthusiastic comment of experts in
Paris and London. Marshal Foch's
activity now that the change has
come is described as so incessant
and tremendous that it is difficult
for the observer to keep pace with
him. At the same time, great ad-
miration is expressed on the tactics
of General Byng and Rawlinson
who skilfully avoided a frontal
attack whenever they encountered
powerful positions, but by attack-
ing less formidable positions on
either side transported dangerous
centres of resistance into fresh
salients to be later reduced by en-
velopment. It is pointed out that
the extreme wings, commanded
respectively by General Horns and
General Gouraud, have not yet been
engaged and the opinion is expressed
that the real offensive is probably
still to come.

DELUDING THE GERMAN PEOPLE. DECEPTIVE ACCOUNTS OF BATTLES.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 25.

The astonishing length to which
the German army goes to disguise
the real military situation from their
people is revealed in the latest semi-
official account of the fighting in
France, which asserts that the
British and French on the 23rd con-
tinued with fresh forces their offen-
sive despite the defeat of the
previous day.

GERMANS SUSPECT ALSATIAN SOLDIERS.

ORDERED NOT TO BE EMPLOYED IN FIRST LINE.

PARIS, Aug. 26.

Evidence of the German suspicion
of soldiers, who being Alsatians and
Lorrainers regard themselves as
French, appears in a secret order
to the 42nd Division, which recently
came into the possession of the
French. It reports that in the
Crown Prince's Army Alsatians and
Lorrainers shall on no pretext be
employed in the first line, and it
reads: "Regiments will be entirely
responsible for the loyalty of those
Alsatians and Lorrainers who are
retained in the first line."

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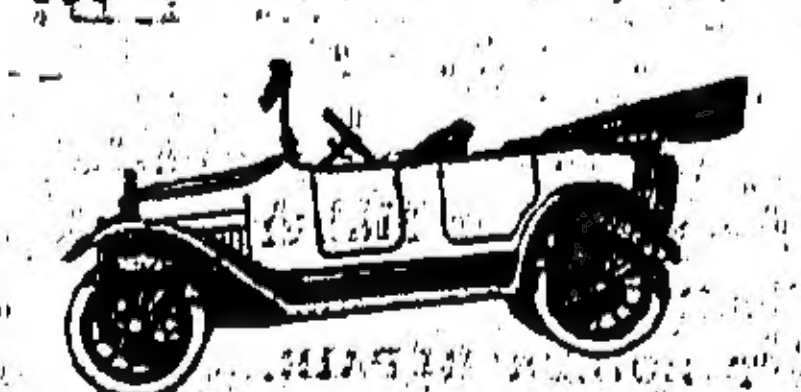
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Hongkong, Aug. 27, 1918.

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(1) To consider, and if thought fit, approve the draft resolutions which will be submitted to the Meeting.
And in the event of the approval thereof with or without modification.
(2) To consider, and if thought fit, pass an Extraordinary Resolution to the effect that the new Articles of Association approved by the Meeting and for the purpose of identification thereof approved by the Chairman thereof, and that the same be adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company, and that the Company be dissolved and its assets be sold and the proceeds thereof be distributed among the shareholders.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation at a Special Meeting to be held on the following day, which will be subsequently convened.
A copy of the new Articles referred to may be inspected by any Shareholder of the said Company at the Office of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., 27, Victoria Street, Hongkong, or at the Office of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Macfarlane, (the Company's Solicitors) at Prince's Building, Victoria, at any time on any weekday between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.
Dated this 27th day of August, 1918.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction, (FOR ACCOUNT OF THE DONOR) ON FRIDAY, the 30th August, 1918, at 10.30 a.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, Corner of Lee House Street, Four SHIPS' CLOSETS by Shanks.
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to the frontier of Kwangtung. A change of route has been under consideration, and as a survey has shown a route from Changsha via Liling, Anjen and Yunghing to be easier than the route running through Hengchoufu the probability is that the change of route will be made. By far the greater part of the Kwangtung section of the line has been completed, under Chinese supervision, and were it not for the military operations in China along the route of the line, added to the difficulties imposed by the greater war in the matter of obtaining construction material from abroad, it is probable that we should by this time have seen through railway connection established between Kowloon and Canton. In view of the substantial progress which has been made with the undertaking we can, however, feel certain of the connection at no far distant date after peace is re-established in China and throughout the world, and the restrictions on the export of material &c. from Europe and America are removed.

BIRTH.

CLARK—On the 24th May, at 83 Manchester Road, Southport, the wife (née Bedwell) of Lieut. JASPER CLARK, A. and S.H., of a daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, August 27, 1918.

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

THE demands which the world war has made and continues to make upon the financial and manufacturing resources of the principal belligerents is reflected in China by the languid interest shown nowadays in the great idea of spreading a network of railways over China, about which we heard so much in the pre-war days. All work of this character in China has been greatly impeded by the war and much of it suspended altogether. In Hongkong we have almost banished the thought of being able to travel by rail from Kowloon to Calais in the lifetime of the present generation, but it is not generally realised that more progress has been made on the great Canton-Hankow railway project during the course of the war than on any other railway under construction in China. In the annual Report of the Commissioner of Customs at Hankow, which we have just received, appears the statement that notwithstanding the difficulties encountered in obtaining supplies from abroad, the summer floods, and the temporary suspension of regular traffic due to military requirements, a considerable amount of work was done on the Canton-Hankow railway. The balance of track unaid at the end of 1916, some 85 miles, was completed, and Wuchang and Changshai were connected by railway by September last year. The distance between these two places is 370 kilometres. Passenger trains run each way three times a week, though there appears to be still some interruption of through traffic owing to serious trouble which the engineers have experienced with an embankment a mile in length across an arm of the Tatung Lake. A reference to the line in the Annual Report of the Customs Commissioner at Changsha mentions that practically no construction work, such as ballasting the track, has been possible since September last, owing to the continual running of troop trains for the Northern army, from the time the line was linked up until the 19th November. Since that date no train has been run between Changsha and Yenchow, as all rolling stock was taken away to Yenchow by the retreating Northern army, but work could not be carried out owing to hostilities on or near the line. The Commissioner adds that it was feared that the running of heavy troop trains over the imperfectly ballasted line would seriously damage the track, but, fortunately, owing to exceptionally dry weather, the damage done was not nearly as great as it was expected to be. This section of the great trunk line is under British construction. We hear nothing definite regarding the further extension of the line from Changsha

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Owing to bad weather the sailing of the *ss. China* has been postponed until 1 p.m. to-morrow.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Hospitals:

Sin Shen Che (A. Pong)	\$43.60
A. D. Macdonald	100.00
H. R. W.	15.00
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So Chak Chi	30.70
Tung Chue Sze	10.00
Chan Sin Ki	100.00
Chau U Tin	100.00
Tao Yan Chi	100.00
Fung Ping Shan	100.00

Another Shanghai man, Lieutenant H. G. Allen, formerly District Manager in Hongkong for Messrs. Brunner, Mond and Company, has won the Military Cross. He was a member of the Maxim Co., and also of the Duluge Company of the Shanghai Fire Brigade. Lieutenant Allen, remarks a Shanghai contemporary, is a man of modest and unassuming disposition and has a dislike for the limelight. Some years ago he received appreciation from the Municipal Council for exceptional services while in the Fire Brigade.

The *Manchuria Daily News* reports that Mr. H. G. Parlett, ex-British Consul at Tairun, who left on August 1 for his new post in Tokio, had been asked several times by his foreign friends to be their guest at a farewell dinner, but, while appreciating the honour, Mr. Parlett asked to be excused and expressed his wish that the cost of such functions be contributed to a war charity instead. Acting on this suggestion, a sum of 5,176 was collected and handed to Mr. Parlett, who forwarded it to London to the Prisoners of War Fund.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE IN HONGKONG.

The Return of the number of cases of communicable diseases notified as occurring in the Colony of Hongkong during the week ended the 24th inst., shows:

	Cases.	Deaths.
Bubonic Plague	8	6
Diphtheria	1	0
Enteric Fever	1	0
Cerebro-Spinal Fever	5	1

No cases of communicable disease occurred during the 48 hours of the 25th and 26th inst.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the week ending 24th August, is as follows:

	Receipts for week.	Aggregate Receipts for 34 weeks.
This year	15,555	465,763
Last year	13,933	458,948
Increase	1,622	7,815
Decrease		

The total output of the Hailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending August 10th, amounted to 61,975 tons and the sales during the period, to 52,342 tons.

KEEP IT HANDY.

IMMEDIATE relief is necessary in the outbreak of diarrhoea, Cholera, Typhoid, and Dysentery. *Remedy* should always be on hand. For sale by all Chemists and Dispensaries.

THE MAGISTRACY.

LARCENY FROM TAIKOO DOCKS.

A Chinese was charged this morning before Mr. E. L. C. Wolfe with the larceny of 2 lbs. of copper piping, valued at \$2.50, the property of the Taikoo Docks at Quarry Bay.

The defendant pleaded guilty. A previous conviction for larceny was recorded against defendant. His Worship sentenced him to two months' rigorous imprisonment and three hours' stocks, in lieu of the last day.

SNATCHING FROM A LITTLE GIRL.

A Chinese pleaded not guilty when charged with snatching \$10 in subsidiary coins from a little girl in Cross Street.

The complainant said she was instructed by her mother to change a \$10 note. On her way home she stopped at Cross Street to buy fruit. She had the change in her hand when the defendant snatched it from her and made off. Witness started in pursuit, and the defendant dropped the money and continued running, but was eventually arrested. He was sentenced to six months' rigorous imprisonment and to receive 12 strokes of the "cat."

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION OF AMMUNITION.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. J. E. Wood with being in unlawful possession of 102 rounds of pistol ammunition on board the *ss. Nantong*.

Defendant said he was carrying the ammunition for a friend of his, who was afraid of robbers in the country. He admitted possession. His Worship fined him \$1,000.

AN INTERESTING OPIUM CHARGE.

Two Chinese were charged this afternoon before Mr. Wolfe with being in illicit possession of 110 taels of opium in 103, Shanghai Street, ground floor.

Mrs. Lewis appeared for the first defendant and Mr. Goldring for the second defendant.

Sergeant Murphy prosecuted. The first defendant said he told Sergeant Murphy that the opium belonged to the second defendant. He did not tell the interpreter at the Police Station that he actually bought the opium.

Mr. Goldring: The second defendant says you gave him the parcel to bring to his shop?—I had nothing to give.

When you first saw the parcel which the second defendant brought to your shop what was it like?—He produced it from his person.

Mr. Goldring said that the opium weighed 110 taels.

The defendant, in reply to a further question, said the second defendant produced it from his trunk.

When the Police came, you admitted you were using an opium pick?—Yes.

So you did know something about opium?—Formerly I dealt in opium. I expressed my disaffection at the time.

Did you assume the value of the opium?—I was not satisfied and I asked him to take it away. (Laughter.)

Did you endeavour to arrive at any value?—No.

Then, why were you sniffing?—I just tried to find out what the taste was. (Laughter.)

The Magistrate: You said the second defendant brought the opium to the shop to sell to a man named Chun?—Yes.

But you afterwards said that the second defendant brought it to you to examine. Why should he bring it to you to examine when you sell shoes?—Because this man Chun often comes to my shop.

But why did you examine it?—Because Chun had not come yet.

Did Chun ask you?—I simply wanted to satisfy my curiosity.

The case is proceeding.

Scottish miners are to ballot whether there should be 22 working days per fortnight instead of 11 1/2 at present.

We are surprised to hear that the bookworms, not to speak of Blue Book worms, are not so plentiful as they were some time back.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

CHINA AND THE SIBERIAN SITUATION.

JAPANESE TROOPS IN MANCHURIA.

[The "Chinese Mail" Service.]

PEKING, Aug. 25.

Twenty thousand Japanese troops have arrived in Manchuria.

At yesterday's Cabinet Council it was decided to instruct the Chinese at Manchukuo to act peacefully; and also to instruct the Minister to Japan to ascertain what views the Japanese Government entertains regarding the dispatch of troops to Manchuria.

[A belated telegram dated Peking, August 23rd, states that the Bolsheviks have concluded an agreement with the Chinese not to molest each other.]

GENERAL LUNG LEAVES PEKING.

PEKING, Aug. 25.

General Lung Chai Kwong left for Tientsin yesterday to accompany Southward the recruits he has obtained for his army.

THE RICE RIOTS IN JAPAN.

GOVERNMENT TO SEIZE PRIVATE STOCKS.

Tokio, Aug. 17.

An urgent Imperial Ordinance has been promulgated which authorises the Government to requisition private stocks of rice for the market.

Tokio, Aug. 16.

Tokio continues under police vigilance. The lights have been extinguished in the main thoroughfares since the 14th and the streets are deserted except for demonstrators. A national picture is presented at night with large crowds here and there marching along the dark streets followed by constables. The orders issued by the police have proved to be sufficiently intimidating so far. Tokio has never been so guarded for three consecutive nights.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.B.E.

ROUPE MARCH.

All ranks, except those on duty, will parade at Central Station at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, September 2nd, in uniform, helmets, spikes and belts. Mounted Police will report at the Fire Station at 8 p.m.

RESERVE SERVICES SQUAD.

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ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF THE WAR.

In a lecture, Professor Meredith Atkinson dealt with economic aspects of the war. From the standpoint of constructive criticism the most interesting section of his lecture related to the trust. Observing that the war has meant a tremendous extension of the big trust and joint stock company, the lecturer said that, while the joint stock form of organisation has several centuries-old, during the past 50 years it had assumed such proportions as to be the subject of repressive legislation in several countries. Even the gigantic trust had found limits to its enterprises; it was impossible to keep a watchful eye over the whole of the processes which extended over the markets of the world. An effect of the war was to make these organisations a much more serious danger for the future, and a far greater power than ever before the war. Several commissions had reported in the direction of the desirability of a definite increase in the big unit of business, and had pointed in the direction of big increases in large combines and trusts. One of the greatest problems of British communities would be the regulation of trusts and combines, and there was no doubt in the minds of thinking men that the trust was a serious menace to the welfare of society. The cure would lie not in the attempt to extinguish the trust by restrictive legislation, as in America, but in the control of the trust for the good of the community. This was possible under a scheme of co-operation. The directors of all trusts and combines should be representatives of the workers within the trusts, and of the State to watch the interests of producers and consumers.

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FAR EAST STOCKING GERMANY.

WHAT SHE MOST NEEDS.

Following is the article by Mr. Bernard Falk, *The Daily Mail* Special Correspondent in the Far East, which was mentioned some weeks ago in a Reuter's cable.

HARBIN, June 26.

It is important for Great Britain to realise the meaning of the removal of the Chinese embargo on land and water transport of food and goods to Russia. Originally the Russian frontier, was closed by the Bolsheviks with a view to bolster up the value of the tottering rouble. Then the Chinese, as a war measure, intended to complete the blockade of Germany in the East and put an embargo on all exports to Russia from China. Reasons now given for the removal of this policy are (1) that imports into Russia can have no influence on the war, (2) that Chinese in Russia have been suffering in consequence of the embargo, and (3) that Chinese commercial interests are being severely punished. These are not very potent reasons, it must be admitted.

Following this decision, ships have already cleared for Aigun, opposite Blagoveshchensk (north-east frontier of Manchuria), and are sailing up the Sungari and Amur Rivers. Others are to follow. The cargoes, despatched or being loaded include cotton piece-goods, boots, blankets, socks, tobacco, and certified spirits—the very things Germany stands in greatest need of.

It is very noticeable that the ships are not being sent to Khabarovsk, farther east, for there they would come into contact with the steady population of Eastern Siberia. They are therefore under orders for Blagoveshchensk, whence they can proceed along the Amur to Khabarovsk, which is east of Lake Baikal, and directly connected with the Trans-Siberian Railway. Once they have reached Striatka there is no guarantee that they will not fall into German hands.

The policy of helping the Siberians with food and goods would be excellent if the Allies were sure they would actually reach the population, but inquiries made less than a month ago at Irkutsk, west of Lake Baikal, showed that big stocks of coffee, leather, furs, and other goods, shipped from Vladivostok were despatched westwards, and there is only too much reason to believe that these have benefited the Germans rather than the Russians.

True, so long as the Czechs hold the Siberian Railway there is a poor prospect of Germany profiting by exports from China, but who can say how long the Czechs will remain in occupation?

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